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RESPONSE AND SUBMISSION OF MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION HAVING BEEN GRANTED FILING DATE

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action dated January 22, 2007, in connection with the above-identified application.

The Official Action acknowledges receipt of the application, but indicates that the Declaration is missing. Applicants submit herewith a properly and fully executed Declaration which identifies the application by title and by inventors and corresponding PCT application number. The serial number and filing date are provided above and are given on the attached form PTO-1533 along with the required \$130.00 surcharge.

In addition, a power of attorney is submitted herewith executed by the appropriate representative of the assignee of the entire right and title to this invention and recorded on July 12, 2006, at reel/frame 018098/0916 at the USPTO.

It is believed that the application is now in condition for examination.

Accordingly, Applicants most respectfully request that an Official Filing Receipt be 01/29/2007 ATRANI 00000141 10578620

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issued and that the application be forwarded to the appropriate examining group for its examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/08/2006
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- Specification filed on 05/08/2006
- Claims filed on 05/08/2006
- Abstracts filed on 05/08/2006



The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

• Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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